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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of

Daniel GOURDAIN et al.

Serial No. 09/981,733

Filed October 19, 2001

Confirmation No. 6091

GROUP 1724

Examiner Charles S. Bushey

INSTALLATION AND METHOD OF VENTING
THE WASTE GASES OF AIR DISTILLATION
OR LIQUEFACTION UNITS

AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents

Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Responsive to the Official Action of April 9, 2003,
please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Cancel claims 10-13.

REMARKS

Responsive to the requirement for restriction,
applicants elect Group I, claims 1-9, drawn to apparatus, without
traverse.

Non-elected process claims 10-13 are cancelled
herewith, but may be made the subject of a divisional application
to be filed at any time during the pendency of the present
application.

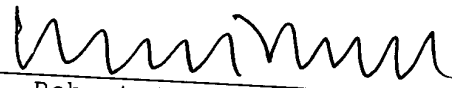
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An action on the merits of the elected claims is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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